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Wednesday, October 25th, 2017
4:30 - 6:00 pm at the Town Office
Prepayment and appointments are
required by calling: 685-4939
\$15.00 per vacination
Both dogs & cats are welcome

KVCAP Fuel Assistance!

KVCAP Fuel Assistance Program will no longer be taking applications at the Town Office. Please go to their web site at www.kvcap.org or call the following numbers to schedule your appointment: 1-800-542-8227 or 207-859-1500.

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A Few Heritage Days Pictures







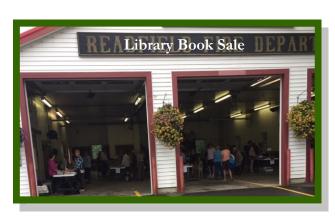
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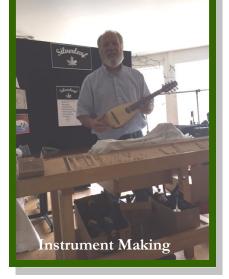


It wasn't just humans who enjoyed this years Heritage Days!











Wood Carvings

Heritage Days was a Success!

On behalf of the Town of Readfield the Heritage Days Committee would like to thank our many sponsors, donators and volunteers. Without their donations of money, gift certificates, prizes and time, Heritage Days would not be possible.

Donations, Gift Certificates and Prizes totaling over \$2,215 in value were provided by:

Alan & Lorraine Wagner & the Wagner Family

Audetts Hardware

Brookewood Reality

AMF Builders, Lee Fellman

Emporium Restaurant, Robert & Helen Bittar

Fike Custom Cutting, Brandan & Jessica

Flying Pond Variety, Matt & Kathy Dunn

Greg & Nancy Durgin

Great Northern Motorworks, the Woodsum Family

Knights Family Farm, Charlie & Carrie

Merrill's Investigations, Mike Harrington

Mia Lina Restaurant, John & Judy Parent

Mt. Vernon Country Store, Matt & Kathy Dunn

Peter Davis & Deb Doten

Pine Tree Veterinary Hospital, Dr. Peter Davis

Readfield Family Market, Ruth Ann & Ray

Simons Photographic, Ron & Sue Simons

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TA Dunham & Sons Builders, Tom Dunham

Weathervane Restaurant and Lounge, Jeff & Gloria Mrazik

Thank you, Thank you!

Congratulations to the 16 winners who won the Gift Certificates!!

Committees, Boards and Organizations

Readfield Fire Fighter's Association and Fire Department, Recreation Association, Tom Donagan on behalf of the Town Beach, Blizzard Busters Snowmobile Club, the Masons, Golden Guys and Gals, Union Meeting House, Community Library, Friends of the Readfield Library, Trails Committee, Historical Society, Age Friendly Committee, Cemetery Sexton and the Jesse Lee Meeting House.

Volunteers, Staff & Residents

Thank you to all the volunteers that worked the events and worked on the Heritage Days Committee. Although not volunteers, we would also like to thank the town staff for all they did to provide assistance when needed. Most of all, thank you, to the residents of Readfield for their ongoing support and enthusiasm.

Advertising

And a big Thank you to the Community Advertiser for donating the advertising.

If you missed the opportunity to attend Heritage Days and to purchase this year's t-shirt, we have a few left for sale at the Town Office. T-shirts are gray in color and are 99% preshrunk cotton. Price for an adult sizes is \$11.00 each and youth sizes are \$9.00 each.

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Recycling Makes Sense

Recycling is an important component of protecting the environment and helping our local communities. Recycling helps conserve resources and energy, preserves valuable landfill space and supports a healthy environment.

Will it recycle? <u>Search our NEW RECYCLOPEDIA</u> http://www.ecomaine.org/recyclopedia/ Our new searchable web app contains more than 600 common household items with descriptions

Our new searchable web app contains more than 600 common household items with descriptions on how to best dispose of them!

Plastic shopping bags **CAN** be recycled at our transfer station. Please bring separately from other single-sort recyclables and place in the can next to the recycling hopper. (They clog the sorting machines at EcoMaine so cannot be put into the single-sort mix.)

The Readfield/Fayette/Wayne Solid Waste and Recycling Committee asks you to post this page prominently in your home to help your family become better recyclers. A little effort makes a big difference.

Readfield Solid Waste and Recycling Committee

State Fireworks Law:

A. Consumer fireworks may be used between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m., except that on the following dates they may be used between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 12:30 a.m. the following day:

- 1) July 4th,
- 2) December 31st; and
- 3) The weekends immediately before and after July 4th and December 31st.
- B. A person may use consumer fireworks only on that person's property or on the property of a person who has consented to the use of consumer fireworks on the that property.

A person who violates this subsection commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than \$50 and not more than \$500, plus court costs, may be adjudged for any one offense.

Golden Guys and Gals



Pictured above: Paul Martha being congratulated by Golden Guys and Gals President Peal Peterson. The Golden Guys and Gals are pleased to announce the awarding of scholarships to high school graduates from Maranacook Community School for the 2017 school year. The winners, Steven White and Abigail Lucas were selected from several applicants. These two graduates were selected based on a careful review of their scholastic standing, community contributions and contributions to their fellow students.

In addition to the scholarships awarded to two Maranacook Community School graduates, a third \$500.00 scholarship was awarded to an adult graduate of the Adult High School Diploma Program. The members of the Golden Guys and Gals believe that graduate from this program represented a significant effort that should be acknowledged and rewarded.

This award is the first scholarship ever given to an adult graduating from an Adult High School Diploma Program statewide. This is a major effort by Steve Vose, director of Adult Education in RSU #38, who supported the recipient over a period of several months until his graduation requirements were met.

The recipient of this award is Paul Martha, an individual who wanted to expand his

knowledge by completing his high school education, but also making him eligible to enroll in an institution of higher learning.

Paul, the Golden Guys and Gals are so proud of your accomplishments and for setting the standard for future graduates of adult high school diploma programs. We wish you continued success in your pursuit of further education.

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Readfield Trails Notes and Doings By Greg Durgin

What a great summer it has been as more and more people, pets, and wildlife are making good use of our Readfield trails system. Just last week a beautiful red fox entered the trail about 30 feet in front of me and leisurely trotted ahead until veering off back into the woods. Deer signs abound and several deer have been sighted by trail side neighbors.

At the July Trails Committee meeting, the members had a celebration as Anne and Gary Keilty stepped aside after serving as volunteers for many years. Gary is actually a founding member of the Trails Committee from 12 years ago and both put in too many hours to add up working to build and enhance our trails. Romaine Turyn also stepped aside as her duties and responsibilities with the Age Friendly Committee take up quite a bit of her time. In true volunteer fashion, all three have asked to be included on future volunteer work sessions. Inspiring to say the least. Thank you all three!

The Readfield Fairgrounds trails and adjoining RSU # 38 woods recently played host to the First Annual Poker Fun Ride during Heritage Days. The Pat and Kerry Welch Family took on the responsibility of organizing the ride complete with registration, ride direction signs, safety measures, and the awarding of prizes for the best poker hand by age categories. Several Maranacook students volunteered to station themselves in the woods handing out poker playing cards. Another resident volunteer helped riders safely cross the Route 17 and Church Road intersection as riders headed up the Library Pathway. One rider from Iowa, enjoying Heritage Days, plans to be here again next year to perhaps collect a Tubby's gift certificate! The youngest rider was 13 and the most senior was 68 and all thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Thank you to the riders and volunteers. Early on August 12 during Heritage Days, Dale Potter Clark and the Age Friendly Committee hosted a historical walk on the trails. On July 22, residents used the trails to get to the dedication of the Keene Family Recreational Park ball field and recognition ceremony for long time Readfield volunteers. The trails certainly get used for many diverse activities.

This fall the Trails Committee plans to welcome Maranacook students from the Class of 2019 and Kents Hill students as they join us doing trail maintenance. For many years, both schools have contributed their energy and good spirits to help our community. We also welcome any town resident to join us. Great and tasty bake goods and drinks are provided at break times when volunteers work on the trails.

Committee members Rob Peale and Ken Clark have been working diligently on all the preliminary groundwork for a new trail to be built starting in the woods off the transfer station road and heading out through the capped landfill and continuing out through the esker region. They have met with abutting property owners to secure trail easements and agreements per the Select Board policy. In July, Rob made a presentation to the Select Board to secure a decision by the board to proceed further. RSU # 38 has given written approval to use their property at their bus garage facility for parking. The Department of Environmental Protection has already made a site visit. Building new trails in Readfield is part of the Trails Strategic Plan, the Readfield Comprehensive Plan and the decision by the Readfield Select Board that created the Trails Committee years ago. We will be putting updates to this project in The Messenger in coming months.

The fall with its cooler temperatures and abundant colors are an ideal time to use the trails for exercise and visual serenity. Hiking, running, and biking are ideal stress relievers. We will talk about winter use in coming Messenger articles but it is too early to speak of winter just yet (except for maybe getting wood in or ordering heating fuel!).

The Trails committee meets at 6:30 pm at Giles Hall on the fourth Tuesday of each month. Our meetings are open to the public. If you are looking for some way to get involved in our community, the Trails Committee would certainly welcome your participation.

See you on the trails!

Readfield Community Library

Summer is (sadly) coming to an end, as are the summer hours at the Readfield Community Library. Starting in September, we will revert back to our year round schedule. This is: Monday- 6-8, Wednesday- 2-8, Thursday-10-12, and Saturday- 10-4. Thank you to everyone who visited us during the summer months.

Looking for something to read? Then take a look at our new books section. Some of our latest additions include *Use of Force* by Brad Thor, *I Know a Secret* by Tess Gerritsen, *Y is for Yesterday* by Sue



Grafton, *Glass Houses* by Louise Penny, *Collared* by David Rosenfelt, and *Dog Man: A Tale of Two Kitties* by Dav Pilkey. New movies include *Guardians of the Galaxy, vol 2* and *Everything, Everything.*

On September 6th, local author and historian Dale Potter Clark will be returning to the Readfield Community Library for a special reading. Come and learn all about Readfield history and her book *Founders and Evolution of Summer Resorts and Kids' Camps on Four Lakes in Central Maine*. The program will begin at 6PM and run for roughly an hour, with time for questions and to purchase copies of Dale's book.

Would you like to appreciate the great outdoors this fall? Then why not visit one of our Maine State Parks using our State Park Pass. This vehicle pass allows an entire car load of people in for free. Give us a call at 685-4089 to reserve the pass for your next trip. Many State Parks are still open during the fall months!

And finally, thank you to everyone who helped out in this year's Annual Summer Booksale, whether you donated books, were part of the set up/break down process, or helped out in other ways during the sale. Without your generous donations of books, and time, this important fundraiser would not be possible. Thank you as well to everyone who supported the library by making purchases during the sale. We hope you enjoy your new books, and hope to see you at our next sale!

Tax Bills

Tax bills are going out or have gone out by the time you are reading this newsletter. If you have not received your tax bill by September 8th please give us a call at 207-685-4939.

Please look at your tax bill carefully because corrections can only be requested in the first 180 days after the commitment.

If you sold your property after April 1st of 2017 it is your responsibility to forward the tax bill to the new owners.

First half of the taxes are due September 29th. You may send a check, use our drop box or pay on line using our web site at:

www.readfield.govoffice.com

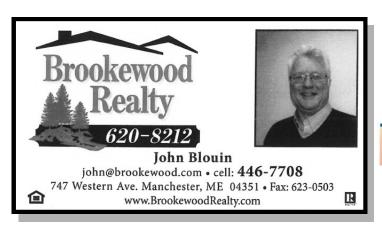
Readfield Emporium

Gourmet pizzas, entrees, eat in & take out, wine & beer
Wed. through Sun. 5—9ish



9:00am Brunch Sat. & Sun. 685-7348





LET'S MAKE SOME NOISE TOGETHER FOR A GREAT CAUSE!



Thursday, September 21 • All Day

Present this to your server to have 20% of your clinner bill consted to

Readfield Union Meeting House





PRESENT THIS COUPON TO YOUR SERVER!!

GET IN TOUCH WITH YOUR INNER MEXICAN!

MARGARITA'S IN AUGUSTA HAS OFFERED TO SPONSOR A NOCHE MEXICANA FIESTA FOR THE READFIELD UNION MEETING HOUSE ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2017.

EAT AT MARGARITA'S ON THAT DAY AND 20% OF YOUR PURCHASE FOR FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC DRINKS WILL BE DONATED TO THE READFIELD UNION MEETING HOUSE.

A GREAT WAY TO SUPPORT THE MEETING HOUSE'S FLOOR PROJECT WHILE HAVING A YUMMY MEAL.

IF YOU DON'T HAVE TIME TO STAY AND EAT EITHER LUNCH OR DINNER, GET SOME TAKEOUT. THAT COUNTS, TOO.

BE SURE TO PRESENT YOUR SERVER YOUR FLYER IF YOU WANT 20% TO GO TO THE MEETING HOUSE -- THIS PART IS VERY IMPORTANT!

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!!

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THE UNION MEETING HOUSE

On the National Register of Historic Places since 1982

22 Church Road

Western Maine Blacksmith Assoc.





Maine Barn Co.

We, the Union Meeting House Board (UMH), want to start by extending a thank you to those of you who donated and purchased items at our lawn sale during the Readfield Heritage Days celebration (RHD). We hope that all who attended the RHD events were able to enjoy the demonstrations on our front lawn by the following groups: Western Maine Blacksmith Assoc., Maine Barn Co. and Tony Castro, expert in restoring decorative painting. Our gratitude goes out to these demonstrators for showing skills that were common in the "Old Days" but are still important today.

We had quite a collection of "good stuff" to offer at the yard sale and we have quite a number of items that didn't sell, so we will be hosting a "left over" sale on Saturday, Sept. 2 from 8am to noon with the prices dramatically reduced. This sale will be in the vestry building next to the UMH.

As mentioned in the August Messenger, The Board of the Union Meeting House will be hosting a Members' Appreciation Wine and Cheese Social at the Meeting House on Friday Sept. 8th from 5 to 7pm. We feel that we need to thank you for all your support over the past few years so please stop in. Non-members are welcome if they want to join as a member at that time.

Our President, Marius Peladeau, gave a wonderful presentation about the Readfield Union Meeting House (UMH) on August 16th in Augusta. It was an event sponsored by the Lithgow Library and the Kennebec Historical Society. Over 50 people attended his slide show presentation and we've had 5 visitors the past 2 Saturdays that have come to Readfield just to see for themselves the beauty of the Union Meeting House. His presentation will be offered here in Readfield on October 16th from 7-8pm as part of the Maranacook Adult Education program. Thank you Marius for sharing your knowledge of

the UMH.

Our joist sale is progressing nicely. We were able to sell 12 of them during Heritage Days as people took advantage of visiting the Meeting House and seeing how their investment will support the UMH for the next 100 years. Or so we hope! At last count we have sold 95 of the 144 joists but that number changes weekly as more orders come in. Now the Union Meeting House Board wants to invite you to share a lunch or dinner meal out by attending a Noche Mexicana Fundraiser event on Thursday, September 21st in Augusta.

What is a Noche Mexicana Fundraiser? A Noche Mexicana Fundraiser is an event that takes place at your local Margaritas Mexican Restaurant, in which Margaritas donates 20% of pre-taxed sales from the organization's attending guests. And a MUST to remember, you need to <u>present a coupon on the previous page to your server in order for the 20% of your meal to be donated to the UMH.</u> A coupon is attached and feel free to copy it to pass along to friends.

Submitted by Nancy Durgin, Board Member of Union Meeting House 685-4481

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Readfield Age Friendly Committee Update

WANT TO VOLUNTEER ONLY IN THE WINTER?

Not spending the winter in Florida or other warmer locations? Busy in the spring, summer and fall, but have free time in the winter. Consider volunteering with the AARP Tax-Aide Program. In addition to actual tax preparation, volunteers are needed to help with scheduling, to greet taxpayers as they arrive at tax preparation locations, to network computers and printers as well as a variety of administrative tasks.

Readfield's Age Friendly Committee is committed to finding a way to assist older residents file their income taxes. This assistance also assures residents are aware of state funded programs that assist with property tax relief. AARP trains volunteers to assist with training for all volunteers is held in January. With the exception of volunteers doing actual return preparation, the training takes no more than one day. Tax preparation starts on February 1st and ends on April 15th. Once trained, volunteers should be able to commitment to a minimum of four hours each week. Planning to take a one or two week vacation or trip in March or April? Not a problem! Volunteers swap or double up on shifts.

Volunteers who want to be involved with the actual preparation of tax returns should be comfortable working with computers. They do not need to be tax experts. Instead, they must use tax software, a tax program, to prepare their own tax return and possibility those of friends. Volunteers preparing taxes are required to pass open book tests to become an IRS certified advanced volunteer tax preparer. Training is provided in January either in a classroom setting with other volunteers or on-line at one's own pace. The time commitment for new volunteer tax preparers in January is significant. Training in subsequent years is much less 'taxing' (pun intended).

Although the AARP Tax-Aide program 's focus is on low to moderate income taxpayers 50 and over, the program serves taxpayers or all ages. Volunteering for this program is a rewarding way to spend part of your Maine winter. Meet new people – both other volunteers and the taxpayer served. We would love to bring this service to Readfield, but we need volunteers. Currently this take advantage of this service, one must travel to the Cohen Center in Hallowell, or travel to Augusta. With the demand and need for this program always increasing, there is need for additional volunteers to join the current AARP Tax-Aide team.

To learn more or volunteer, contact Joan Jagolinzer, District Coordinator at jagolinzer@gwi.net, or the Read-field Town Office.

Readfield Heritage Days

The Age Friendly Committee, The Trails Committee and the Readfield Historical Society hosted a walk on Saturday August 12th. There were a total of 10 enthusiastic participants. We enjoyed a walk down the McDougal Trail and then out to the field that overlooks Maranacook Lake. Thanks to the Age Friendly Committee members who made cookies, brownies and supplied water.

Resource List

Keep your eyes open for a copy of the handy dandy Resource List of important numbers. It comes with a magnet to hang on your refrigerator, or without to keep in a different safe place. It is available at the Town Office or the Readfield Library.

Readfield Blizzard Busters Snowmobile Club

The Readfield Blizzard Busters Snowmobile Club would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the Heritage Days Committee for graciously inviting the Club to provide food during the Friday night Heritage Day activities. It was a successful evening for the club and the community. We would also like to thank Ray, owner of *The Family Market* and all the patrons we were able to meet and greet. The morning air has turned crisp and that signifies the up-

coming snowmobile season. Although snowfall is a few months away, we look forward to starting the season right off with well-prepared trails. If you are looking for some community service and boundless camaraderie join our work crew Sunday mornings at the firehouse. We meet at 8:00 am during October. Call 207-685-4203 for more information.



Cemetery Sexton

This summer has been very busy in our Readfield cemeteries! In June, the Methodist Church Council dedicated a generous donation of \$5000.00 to do three specific projects at the East Readfield Cemetery. This donation came from the Emma Hunt Fifield Memorial Trust Fund. To date, the Sexton has worked with the Methodist Church Council to restore 34 historical stones that required specialized care. Additionally, 3 trees were professionally trimmed, and a planting will be created on along the edge of Route 17. This gracious gift from the United Methodist Church will be appreciated for generations to come.

There have been two Stone Leaning and Cleaning Workshops at Readfield Corner Cemetery this summer. The first was hosted by Maine Old Cemetery Association (MOCA), and the Town of Readfield. The second was held by the Sexton during Heritage Days. Each workshop was well attended with about 20 volunteers at each workshop. With the two workshops combined, 30 stones were cleaned and 20 stones were straightened. Thank you to all who attended and volunteered their time.

The Memorial Garden in the newly built expansion at Readfield Corner has kept the volunteers busy this summer. Town staff built used their expertise into leveling the Garden and building the retaining wall. But what would a Garden be without flowers? Talented Cemetery Committee members used their creativity to landscape the garden with the colorful plantings. Using donated materials, they planted a space for all to reflect. Thank you Marianne Perry, John Moran, Brenda Lake, and everyone that made time to be part of this. The Memorial Garden at Readfield Corner is a lovely place for many to sit and reflect.

On a final note, the Cemetery Committee welcomed Andy Tolman as its new Cemetery Committee Chairperson. Grace Keene, who has served as Chair for many years, will remain as Vice Chair. Her guidance has brought continued beauty and honor to our cemeteries. All are pleased that she will remain in a position of leadership. All extend their thanks to Grace and welcome Andy as the new Committee Chair.





News from the 30 Mile River Watershed Association

Sign-up Now for Watershed Cleanup Day - September 10th

Looking for a fun way to meet new people, give back to your community and help the environment? The 30 Mile River Watershed Association and the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife would like you to join us for our 30 Mile River Watershed Cleanup Day! On **Sunday, September 10th**, we will be joining a **statewide effort** to clean up our land and water. We will have projects at multiple locations throughout our watershed that will involve cleaning up trash from lakes, ponds, streams, roadsides and public lands. Whether you have only one hour or all day, we would love to have you join our watershed-wide effort. To learn more about this event and to sign up, please visit www.30mileriver.org.

Do you have an area in mind that could use some work? We are looking for site ideas for this event. <u>Contact us</u> with your thoughts!

Tickets Available for the First Annual Watershed Community Social - September 13th



We invite you to join us and your watershed neighbors on Wednesday, September 13th from 5:30pm-7:30pm to celebrate our commitment to our lakes and ponds. This event will take place at Camp Vega on beautiful Echo Lake and will be catered by *Hello, Good Pie Bakery and Gourmet Kitchen* of Belgrade Lakes. Gather for delicious food, great community, storytelling, live music, and more! For more details about the event and to purchase tickets go to our website. Please re-

serve your tickets by September 5th. If you live in the 30 Mile Watershed, you don't want to miss this event!

YCC Completes Successful Season



The five members of our 2017 Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) had a busy summer and accomplished a lot to help prevent runoff and erosion that damage our lakes and ponds. Of the twelve projects they completed, three on Flying Pond involved the use of erosion control mulch (ECM) and infiltration trenches to prevent runoff and soil erosion from freely flowing into the pond. For the Town of Wayne, the crew stabilized a severely eroding bank on Lovejoy Pond just above the dam by installing geotextile fabric, ECM, and rip rap along the shoreline. Camp Menatoma, also on Lovejoy, requested the crew to install two

sets of infiltration steps in heavily trodden areas on the property. Using timber, rebar, fabric, and crushed stone, the YCC members constructed seventeen steps providing a safer footing surface and a space to capture and infiltrate runoff into the soils below. On Parker Pond, the team used riprap to stabilize the spillway of the dam, an area that had a severely undercut streambank. Additional projects including infiltration trenches, shoreline stabilization, and vegetative buffer plantings took place on Pocasset Lake, Parker Pond, David Pond, and Long Pond.

Donate to Receive Your Voluntary Milfoil Sticker

This season, watershed associations across Maine have teamed up for an easy and tangible way to combat invasive aquatic plants with a voluntary "Milfoil Sticker" for passive watercraft. By voluntarily purchasing a weather-proof, vinyl "Milfoil Sticker" for your canoe, kayak or sailboat, you are helping to spread the word about the importance of controlling these invasive plants and showing your love of the lakes and ponds in our watershed.



These stickers are being sold across the state for a suggested donation of \$5 and proceeds help fund local boat inspection and plant removal programs. In our watershed, stickers are available at some of our boat launches (check in with the Courtesy Boat Inspector to see if they have any), 30MRWA events, our Farmington office, or by contacting Katie at kchurch@30mileriver.org.

What you Need to Know:

Licensing Your Dog in the State of Maine



Frequently Asked Questions about dog licensing

What is the cost to license my dog?

For an "altered" or "fixed" dog the cost is \$6.00. For a dog that is not "altered" the cost is \$11.00. There is an additional cost of \$1.00 to license your dog on-line.

What should I do if my dog loses its tag and it's not time to renew the license?

You will need to obtain a new tag from your town office or city hall.

What if I need a special license?

If you are licensing a wolf hybrd, service/search or rescue dog or need to obtain a kennel license, please contact the town office.

Can a dog run "at large" in the State of Maine?

It is unlawful for any dog to run at large except when it is used for hunting. "At large" means off the premises of the owner and not under the control of any person.

What does my dog license pay for?

When you license your dog you help support the following:

Local Animal Control Officers and District Humane Agents

The investigation of animal cruelty complaints and enforcement of animal welfare laws

Compliance with rabies vaccinations for dogs

Care for sick and stray animals

The return of lost dogs to their owners

Did you know you might be able to license your dog on-line?

Just go to www.readfield.govoffice.com and click n the on the "On-line Services" tab.

(On line services do not start for the 2018 year till October 15, 2017)

What you will need to license your dog:

Credit Card (on-line)

Current Rabies certificate

Veterinarian's name and phone number

Spay or Neuter Certificate (if your dog has been "fixed")

When does my dog need to be license?

Dogs need to be licensed upon reaching the age of 6 months or after it has been with the family for 10 days if adopted. The yearly renewal deadline is December 31st.

Where does my dog need to be licensed?

Dogs need to be licensed in the town of residence.

Historical Society

HISTORY WALKS THIS FALL Save these dates: September 29th ~ October 27th ~ November 11th

Sept. 29th 10am-2pm: Meet at the parking area at the "Rosmarin and Saunders Family Forest" on Nickerson Hill Road. If you are unable to participate in this History Walk another option is Sunday, Sept. 17th 1:30pm 2:30pm when the Kennebec Land Trust will dedicate the property and guide guests on the trail. Directions: from Main Street (route 17) turn onto Nickerson Hill Rd. Travel for about 0.6 mile then turn left into a small parking area.

FALL MARANACOOK ADULT ED CLASSES by Dale Potter-Clark

Save these dates: September 27th ~ October 18th ~ November 15th (all Wednesdays)

The registration fee for all three is \$30 or \$12.50 each. Proceeds will help fund a Readfield "Museum in the Streets" B. FMI about class contents http://readfieldhistorywalks.blogspot.com. To register contact Maranacook Adult and Community Education 207-685-4923 x 1065.

INDUSTRY IN EARLY READFIELD ~ September 27th 6:30-8:30p.m. Industry began in early Readfield at various locations throughout town. In particular, East Readfield and Factory Square became busy industrial hubs...

THE CURRIER-EATON FAMILY AND THEIR HOME (READFIELD COMMUNITY LIBRARY) ~ October 18th 6:30-8:30p.m. Less than ten years after Readfield's incorporation a young doctor and his new wife, Dr. Samuel and Patience (Stanley) Currier, bought a grand home in the town's evolving commercial center...

KENTS HILL: FROM FARMLAND TO VILLAGE ~ November 15th 6:30-8:30 p.m. Before 1775 there were very few people living on Kent's Hill – the Packards and Kents were two of the first to stake their claims. After the Revolutionary War others came – the most influential, who had a long lasting effect, was Luther Sampson...

HOUSE CIRCA SIGNS More than a dozen have been ordered and will soon appear. Are you interested in ordering a sign on the next round? Contact Dale Potter-Clark at crossings4u@gmail.com or call (207) 441-9184.

RHS SUMMER OPEN HOURS Many year round and summer residents as well as visitors from out-of-state visited this summer. We were especially pleased that over 125 guests attended our Heritage Days Wine and Cheese and Saturday open hours. Out-of-state visitors this summer included three generations of the Knightly family from N.H., grandchildren of Roy Curtis who owned the Maranacook Hotel for decades. Also, James Carr came in from Cincinnati, OH with his brother and nephew. They are direct descendants of Benjamin Carr, Sr. who settled at East Readfield in 1775.

SUMMER DOCENTS Special thanks to the volunteer docents who helped cover the RHS building throughout the summer: Evelyn Potter; June Wagner; Laurie Emmett; Ralph & Marjorie Black; Nancy Perkins; Nancy Leavitt; Donna (McCormick) Page; Brenda (Boutilier) Deojay; Nancy (Harriman) Edson; Nancy Durgin; John Knox; Bob & Dotty Bryant; Martha Whitcomb; Natalie Giles. Some RHS board members also helped cover: Bob & Jeanne Harris; Andy Tolman; Dale Potter-Clark and Doreen Crocker.

SUMMER INTERNS were Ashley Dunn and Madison Taylor. They re-organized and indexed our scrapbook collection; inventoried and displayed newly donated items; photographed / digitalized our collections; assisted with moving and organizing the Holly Hock Dumaine Library and more. Corbin Howe, a Maranacook sophomore, also volunteered this summer. He organized our Town Reports collection and helped Ashley and Madison with the new library and archives. Currently he is helping to research some of our Civil War veterans in preparation for the Veterans' Day History Walk.

HISTORIC CALENDARS AND NOTE CARDS are still available. The calendar includes brief histories and photos of various organizations in town, past and present. They run to June 2018 and will be keepsakes long after the last month has passed. The note cards depict six structures and mills once located on old Factory Square and each card includes a brief history of the respective buildings. Calendars are \$10 each; note cards are six for \$5 or \$1 each. 100% of proceeds benefit RHS. Get yours by calling Evelyn at (207) 685-3812 or email etap30@roadrunner.com. S&H is \$5 regardless of how many are shipped. They would make great holiday gifts!

MEMBERSHIP IS GROWING! We are pleased to report that our membership has grown 15% since January. Won't you join RHS? Your membership fee will help support our ongoing volunteer efforts to preserve the history of Readfield and its people. Annual dues are \$10 for a family, \$5 for people over 65 years. Lifetime memberships are \$100. Mailing address is PO 354 Readfield, Me 04355. RHS is a 501 C3 and all donations are tax deductible as allowed by law.



Photo Captions:

Left: The new RHS "Holly Hock Dumaine Library and Archives" was dedicated on August 11th with dozens of Dumaine family members and guests in attendance. Holly's husband, Chris, is shown here cutting the ribbon.

Right: The Holly Hock Dumaine Library and Archives is made possible thanks to a generous donation from Chris Dumaine in memory of his wife Holly.



The Town of Readfield is looking for volunteers who would be interested in serving on the following Boards and Committees:

Age Friendly Committee: 1 member (2020)

Budget Committee: 1 member (2020)

Cobbossee Watershed Dist.: 1 alt. Representative

Conservation Commission: 1-Alt.(2019), 1-Assoc. & 1-(2020)

Maranacook Outlet Dam Committee: 1 representative Library Building Committee: Looking for any volunteers

Local School Board: 1 member (2018), 1-(2019) & 1-(2020)

Planning Board: 3 alt. members (2018), (2019) & (2022)

Readfield Enterprise Committee: 1 Select Board Member, 1 CPA or

finance specialist, 1 attorney of legal professional, 1 Readfield

Resident (suggested composition)

Road Committee: 1 member (2018)

Trails Committee: 2 members (2019), 3-(2020), & 1-Alt.-(2020)

If you are interested in joining any of the above committees please contact the Town Office at 685-4939 or readfield@roadrunner.com for an application for appointment.

Last updated 08/22/2017

Quote of the Month

Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once a year, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in. ~Author Unknown

2017 Maranacook Youth Soccer Registration

Grades K-6 Boys and Girls Commissioner: Hannah Flannery 446-7865 hhinckley@roadrunner.com

Player Name	Town	Grade	Male/Female	Shirt Size
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Cost \$25 - per child \$	25 - 2nd child \$20 e	ach additional c	child Maximum	Family Fee \$70
Cash or Checks - Payak 2017	ole to Town of Readf	ield \$10 late fee	if registering after Se	eptember 6,
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Release of Liability The Town of Readfield, its damages arising out of understand there are i accept responsibility fo	agents and voluntee f, connected with, or nherent risks and da	rs from any and resulting from particip	all claims, suits, action all claims, suits, action articipation in this a	ons, and ctivity. I
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From the Select Board

Dear Neighbors;

On August 18 the Select Board had their annual retreat. We focused on how we work as a board and we set goals to work on together. In the near future we will be discussing, seeking input, and formally adopting the objectives that came out of the retreat. I believe our work to build on past ideas and set additional well thought out long term initiatives will serve all of us very well.

We chose nine focus goals that formed the mix of continuing the work begun by past boards and new items that the Board agreed merit our concentrated interest. Here are the highlights:

- 1 Review, revise, or draft selected governance documents as needed, including but not restricted to the following:
 - Local Foods
 - Low Income Property Tax Relief
 - Traffic
 - Personal Property Tax
 - Select Board policies/Bylaws
- 2 Be appropriately supportive and welcoming to local businesses
- 3 Evaluate and seek cost-effective renewable energy and energy conservation solutions for town usage
- 4 Examine long term town buildings planning and plans
- Develop and undertake a Church Street sidewalk planning and approval process to bring the project to fruition
- 7 Study and recommend a targeted property tax assistance program to voters
- 8 Prepare our town to address new state laws regarding cannabis considerations
- 9 Work on Transfer Station operational refinement

Several of these goals will involve multiple years and we hope to give those items a good foundation. We believe all of the goals are community oriented and look forward to working with your input and on your behalf to achieve great shared outcomes for Readfield.

Kind Regards;

Bruce Bourgoine

Select Board Chair

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Readfield United Methodist Church

Route 17

Readfield, Me 04355

Invites you to Worship with us every Sunday 10:00 a.m. Nursery provided.

Everyone is Welcome to join us.

Come as you are.

The church is handicap accessible www.readfieldchurch.org



Goodwill Public Supper

Saturday August 5

Readfield United Methodist Church Route 17, Readfield (Kents Hill) 4:30-6:00 pm

Baked beans, casseroles, salads and desserts

Donations to benefit Pastor's Fund

Helping neighbors in need

Tel: 685-4064



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Mount Vernon Food Bank

People in Readfield who find they are in need at any time during the year do not have to go hungry. The Mt. Vernon Food Bank, located at the First Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon, serves the people of Readfield in addition to Vienna, Fayette and Mt. Vernon. It is open every Saturday morning from 9:30am to 12pm and is supported by the schools, churches and individuals from the area.

Those who are not in need of the food service can become supporters of the Food Bank with tax-deductible checks made payable to the Mt. Vernon Food Bank.

If you are in need of help during off hours, please call: Betty White at 480-1525 or Helen Wilkey at 293-2351.

Barden extras are always welcome!

September 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 7:30-3:30 Assessor	2
3	4	5	6 6:45 Library Board	7	8	9
10	11	6:30 Conservation Com.	9:00 Age Friendly Com. 6:30 Planning Board	5:00 Road Committee	15 7:30-3:30 Assessor	16
17	18 6:30 Select Board Mtg.	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26 6:30 Trails Committee READFIELD TRAI	6:30 Planning Board	28	29	30



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